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Week ending July 3, 2011

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According to the National Agricultural Statistics Service in Mississippi, there were 5.9 days suitable for fieldwork for the **week ending Sunday, July 3, 2011**. Mississippi celebrated Independence Day with fireworks and irrigation. As cotton and soybeans move into blooming and fruiting stages the need for rainfall is more urgent. Rain fell last Wednesday and scattered showers fell over the delta and southwestern part of the state this weekend, but we are still in need of moisture. Soil moisture was rated 21 percent very short, 32 percent short, and 47 percent, adequate.

Crop progress for week ending July 3, 2011

Crop	This week	Last week	Last year	5-year average
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Corn, silked	94	88	98	96
Corn, dough	50	28	64	57
Cotton, emerged	100	100	100	100
Cotton, squaring	73	58	90	82
Cotton, setting bolls	7	1	40	26
Hay-Warm Season, harvested	52	48	46	47
Peanuts, pegging	58	19	48	37
Rice, headed	4	2	16	6
Sorghum, planted	100	100	100	100
Sorghum, emerged	99	98	100	100
Sorghum, heading	22	8	31	46
Soybeans, planted	100	100	100	100
Soybeans, emerged	99	98	100	100
Soybeans, blooming	55	38	72	78
Sweet Potatoes, planted	96	90	97	90
Watermelons, harvested	40	23	66	55

Crop condition for week ending July 3, 2011

Item	Very poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Blueberries	0	12	27	54	7
Corn	14	11	35	27	13
Cotton	6	9	23	49	13
Hay	5	26	48	20	1
Livestock	0	18	42	35	5
Pasture	10	31	37	18	4
Peanuts	0	0	36	61	3
Rice	0	2	35	51	12
Sorghum	1	4	28	63	4
Soybeans	3	7	25	55	10
Sweet Potatoes	0	5	25	53	17
Watermelons	0	15	37	47	1

Comments

“We got about a half inch of rain Monday to help things but corn has already taken a significant hit. All we can do is wait and see how bad corn yields will be. More rain is still needed.”

— Stephen R. Winters, Grenada

“Scattered showers are in the forecast for the upcoming week and a few fortunate areas received some rain on the 4th. With cotton blooming and setting bolls and soybeans blooming and filling pods any precipitation would be nice. But for now, irrigation remains to be a top priority. A lot of lay by went out this past week and plant bug pressure continues to be steady. Some relief in the way of rain and cooler temperatures will certainly help the fruiting crops.”

— Preston Aust, Humphreys

“We had another week of irrigation activities plus spraying for insects in cotton.”

— Jerry Singleton, Leflore

“Cotton crop looks good. Corn crop has struggled with the heat and lack of rain. Soybeans, Rice and Sorghum are doing OK. The weather has really affected all crops in the county; some worse than others.”

— Lester Stephens, Washington

“We received more rain Sunday night and Monday night.”

— Juli Hughes, Choctaw

“We have been getting showers every 2-3 days. Crops are improving, but corn is still iffy. Cotton looks good and we should have blooms next week.”

— Pamela S. Redwine, Yalobusha

“Crops continue to look good. Some parts of the county got rain over the weekend.”
— Don Respress, Quitman

“Irrigation is a common practice seen lately because of the lack of rainfall. Crops under irrigation are holding up well but some non-irrigated fields are suffering. Hay harvest is wide open and they too are wishing for rainfall.”
— Jimbo Burkhalter, Tallahatchie

Mississippi Weather Summary for Week Ending July 3, 2011

Division/Station	Air Temperature					Precipitation			
	Max	Min	Avg	Norm	DFN	One Week	DFN	Rain Days	Four Weeks
Upper Delta									
Clarksdale	95	67	81	81	0	1.10	-0.01	1	5.79
Lambert 1W	96	65	81			0.36	-0.65	1	4.47
Tunica 2N				81		0.51	-0.57	1	3.95
Extreme/Average	96	65	81	81	0	0.66	-0.43	1	4.74
North-Central									
Hickory Flat	93	53	78	78	0	0.74	-0.31	1	4.74
Holly Springs	93	63	79	78	1	0.96	-0.16	1	4.71
Independence	95	61	79	79	0	0.06	-0.96	1	2.76
Oxford	95	63	80	79	1	0.07	-0.91	1	3.98
Extreme/Average	95	53	79	79	0	0.46	-0.59	1	4.05
Northeast									
Booneville	92	64	78	78	0	0.65	-0.33	1	4.37
Corinth 7SW	93	63	78	80	-2	1.10	0.14	1	4.52
Tupelo 2	93	67	81			0.00		0	4.01
Pontotoc Exp	92	66	79	79	0	0.46	-0.66	1	3.25
Verona	97	66	81	80	1	0.95	0.01	1	6.26
Extreme/Average	97	63	80	79	1	0.63	-0.35	1	4.47
Lower Delta									
Belzoni				81		0.21	-0.82	1	1.67
Greenville	95	69	84	82	2	0.00	-0.98	0	0.60
Moorhead	96	68	83	81	2	0.23	-0.86	1	1.67
Yazoo City	98	69	85	81	4	0.00	-0.91	0	1.90
Extreme/Average	98	68	84	82	2	0.11	-0.90	1	1.46
Central									
Canton 4N	100	65	82	81	1	0.02	-0.74	1	2.08
Eupora 2E				79		0.00	-0.98	0	4.27
Forest 3S	96	61	80	79	1	0.03	-1.13	1	3.04
Winona 5E	97	61	80	77	3	0.27	-0.77	1	1.00
Extreme/Average	100	61	80	80	0	0.08	-0.91	1	2.60
East-Central									
Aberdeen	95	43	73	79	-6	0.70	-0.24	1	3.95
Columbus	97	65	81	80	1	2.04	0.93	2	3.85
Macon	97	67	81	80	1	0.35	-0.70	1	2.09
State University	98	65	82	80	2	0.58	-0.40	1	5.15
Extreme/Average	98	43	79	80	-1	0.92	-0.13	1	3.76
Southwest									
Crystal Springs	100	68	84	81	3	0.16	-1.03	1	3.36
Natchez	98	70	84	81	3	0.00	-0.99	0	1.66
Oakley Exp	100			80		0.00	-1.00	0	1.28
Vicksburg City	98	72	85			0.00		0	0.69
Extreme/Average	100	68	84	80	4	0.04	-1.01	0	1.75
South-Central									
Collins	99	67	82	80	2	0.10	-0.89	1	2.15
Columbia	101	69	85	81	4	0.02	-1.20	1	3.61
Extreme/Average	101	67	84	81	3	0.06	-1.08	1	2.88
Southeast									
Hattiesburg	97	69	83	81	2	0.01	-1.12	1	2.28
Laurel	99	66	82	80	2	0.02	-1.05	1	2.48
Waynesboro 2W	98	67	83	80	3	0.00	-1.15	0	2.10
Extreme/Average	99	66	83	80	3	0.01	-1.10	1	2.29
State	101	43	82	80	2	0.29	-0.76	1	2.95

DFN = Departure from Normal.